

I feel that dropping the CW is a disgrace because if someone wants the upgrade they will do what is required of them. This should not be left for the big monies for the stores and the ARRL. I didn't know a thing about HAMS now I am a ham and proud of it. I recieved my License in Jan of 2001 and worked my self into a Extra by Jan. 2002. I am proud of the hard work that I did to get where I am. I think that the RAF petion is the best plan. I am also a VE and VEC and find no problem of giving code tests to anyone wishing to up grade. You have HAMS that have been Techs for over 10 years with no motivation for up grading but want it on a silver platter handed to them. I don't think that it is fair! So I am voting for the RAF and the pride of Amateur Radio.